first day of the first pay period following the one in which you make the change.

- (2) If you are making an enrollment change described in paragraph (c)(2) of this section, your change in enrollment is effective on the first day of the first pay period following the QLE on which the enrollment change is based.
- (e) You may not change from one dental or vision plan or option to another, except as stated in §894.507(b).

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§ 894.511 What are the QLEs that are consistent with decreasing my type of enrollment?

- (a) Loss of an eligible family member due to:
 - (1) Divorce;
 - (2) Death; or
- (3) Loss of eligibility of a previously enrolled *child*.
- (b) Your spouse deploys to active military service.

§894.512 What happens if I leave Federal Government and then return?

- (a) Your FEDVIP coverage terminates at the end of the pay period in which you separate from government service. *Exception*: If you separate for retirement or while in receipt of workers' *compensation* as defined in §894.701, your FEDVIP coverage continues.
- (b)(1) If you return to Federal service after a break in service of fewer than 30 days, and you were not previously enrolled in FEDVIP, you may not enroll until the next open season or unless you have a QLE that allows you to enroll.
- (2) If you return to Federal service after a break in service of fewer than 30 days, and you were previously enrolled in FEDVIP, you may reenroll in the same plan(s) and plan option and with the same type of enrollment you had before you separated. Exceptions:
- (i) If you were enrolled in a dental or vision plan with a restricted geographic service area, and you have since moved out of the plan's service area, you may change to a different dental or vision plan that serves that area.
- (ii) If you have since gained or lost an eligible family member, you may

change your *type of enrollment* consistent with the change in the number of eligible *family members*.

(3) If you return to Federal service as a new hire after a break in service of 30 days or more, you may enroll if you were not previously enrolled, change your dental or vision plan, and/or change your type of enrollment.

Subpart F—Termination or Cancellation of Coverage

§894.601 When does my FEDVIP coverage stop?

- (a) If you no longer meet the definition of an eligible *employee* or *annuitant*, your FEDVIP coverage stops at the end of the pay period in which you were last eligible.
- (b) If you go into a period of nonpay or insufficient pay, and you do not make direct premium payments, your FEDVIP coverage stops at the end of the pay period for which your agency, retirement system, or *OWCP* last made a premium allotment from your pay.
- (c) If you are making direct premium payments, and you stop making the payments, your FEDVIP coverage stops at the end of the pay period for which you last made a payment.
- (d) If you cancel your enrollment during an open season, your FEDVIP coverage stops at midnight of the *day* before the effective date of an open season change as set by OPM.
- (e) If you are enrolled with a combination dental and vision *carrier* with a restricted service area, and you move outside the *carrier*'s service area to a service area that does not offer a combination *carrier* and you change to a dental only or vision only *carrier*, your existing combination plan coverage will stop at midnight of the *day* before the effective date of your new plan coverage.
- (f) If your FEDVIP carrier discontinues participation in the program at the end of the contract year, then you must change to another carrier during the open season, unless OPM establishes a different time. If the discontinuance is at a time other than the end of the contract year, OPM will establish a time and effective date for you to change your carrier. If you do not change your carrier within the